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SAMMY MAYER TO APPEAR IN RIGHT GARDEN FOR GRIFFMEN

Griffith Decides to Use Outfielder and He May Buy Him Rather Than Accept Him as Free Agent.

Only Regular Team Will Be Taken to Philadelphia and Recruits Will Remain Here to Practice.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Sammy Mayer plays right field today for the Griffmen and if he makes good in the big show, the Washington club will recognize the claim of the Kansas City American Association club to be recompensed for his services. Manager Griffith so announced today, though it has been reported that the National Commission has ruled Mayer a free agent.

"We don't want to take advantage of any other club in organized baseball," said the Old Fox today. "If Kansas City has any claim to Mayer, and he makes good here, we shall pay for him. That is the agreement I have made with Tebeau and I will carry out my agreement."

Mayer reported to Manager Griffith today and signed a contract with the Washington club. The youngster, who is about as heavy as Milan and a bit taller and slimmer, insists that he is under no obligation to the Reds. He says he never did anything more than work out with the Brooklands. No contract was offered him, and he did not sign any.

Manager Griffith today wired Joe Cantillon to have him send Ed Ghartry, the Millers' catcher, as soon as possible. Cantillon has a feature series on with St. Paul, beginning on September 24, and the Old Fox feared he might keep Ghartry until it would be useless to bring him here for a day or so. Ghartry is touted to be one of the best young backstops ever brought up into fast company and Manager Griffith wants to see him in at least half a dozen games before the season ends.

Manager Griffith will take with him to Philadelphia all his regulars, with Ray Morgan as utility man. Those he expects to leave behind are Alinsmith, Barber, Kopp, and Neff.

There is little chance of Judge and Jamieson reporting here early this season. The Buffalo club is in the hunt for the international League pennant, and the campaign does not end until September 18. It is unlikely that either of these young players will appear here much before the final two weeks of the season.

Walter Johnson, formidable as a super-talented pitcher, opposed the miserable Yankees yesterday and so they lost, 2 to 0. Really, it was unclubby in the Old Fox to shoot his blond shrapnel at the enemy, but the venerable Reynard has no friends in these waning days of the campaign. He wants every conceivable victory.

Figuring on the hope that has every

SIXTH PRECINCT IS WINNER OF MEET

Commissioner Brownlow Present to Watch Policemen in Many Events.

The Sixth precinct carried off the honors at the Municipal Pool today in the preliminary swimming meet closed to Washington policemen. Koonitz and Conrad, of the Sixth, were the stars of the ten events arranged by F. J. Brunner, who has taken charge of the men under Major Pullman.

There were ninety-two entries for the events. Men who were non-swimmers up to August 27 furnished the feature event in the 45-yard race. Commissioner Brownlow was on hand and expressed satisfaction at the progress made by the policemen and the ability of the athletes.

Points: Sixth, 134; Seventh, 11; Eighth, 14; Third, 8; Tenth, 6; Fourth, 5; Fifth, 3; and Eleventh, 1.

Breast stroke carry—Won by Kenney and Conrad; second, Foley and Smoot. Time, 45 seconds.

Back stroke swim—Won by Koonitz; second, Thomas; third, Pymell. Time, 2 minutes.

Life-saving, 300 feet—Won by Strager and Straker; second, Pymell and Foley. Time, 2 minutes.

Swim, 100 feet—Won by Prewalt; second, Koonitz; third, Thomas. Time, 40 seconds.

Life-saving, 300 feet—Won by Strager and Straker; second, Conrad and Kenney. Time, 1 minute 55 seconds.

Swim, 100 yards—Won by Thomas; second, Burke; third, Prewalt. Time, 1 minute 45 seconds.

THE LINE-UP.

YANKEES.
Hartsell, rf.
Peck, ss.
Bauman, 3b.
Pipp, 1b.
Miller, cf.
High, lf.
Boone, 2b.
Nunamaker, c.
Alexander, c.
Brown, p.
Mogridge, p.
Meadows, p.

Game at 3 o'clock.

rookie successful in a tilt with Johnson. Bill Donovan sent Cy Fiech to the slab. Cy wasn't thoroughly cooked until the sixth frame, when the Griffmen got together and jammed over a couple of runs. They didn't like Fiech much after that and the final result was unchanged. Johnson let the enemy down with four blows, two bunched in the first inning. He caused seven of the visitors to whiff injuriously and not one of them drew a walk. Johnson was himself, that's all. No further explanation required, eh wot?

The Griff had collected three blows without scoring up to the sixth. Milan opened that season with a fine double down the right field line. Shanker sacrificed advanced the Linden Flyer, and he ambled over when Gandil slammed another double down the left field line. Acosta fanned, but Rippy Williams hammered a sweet single to center, bringing Gandil across before McGraw. Those two runs were all marked down in the books for the day.

Before Johnson could get his machine running to order, the Yanks cracked him for two hits in the first round, but Peck was forced at third and Johnson disposed of Miller, the Mobile wonder, holding the enemy at bay. After that not a Yankee got as far as second base.

Shanks singled past Peck in the second round and got around to third only to stick there. Williams rolled to Boone, ending the inning.

It looked as if the home boys would tally in the fifth when, with one down, McBride singled and Johnson lived on. Miller and Foster raised one for High. Moeller looked utterly helpless against Barber's brand of twirling and so Turner Barber, the Winston-Salem recruit, replaced him in the fifth. Barber bled to center on his first trip to the plate and he had two chances in the field, except that Milan came over and took the first away from him and Peck backed up and seized the other. The fans were with the youngster from the start, cheering him largely because he did not fan.

Eddie Foster provided the prettiest fielding play of the afternoon, when he picked up a grounder in the right field, tagged Peck on the run and got the batter at first. That one stunt was the price the Griff paid for the win.

NATS. ABHOAE N.Y. ABHOAE
Moeller, rf. 2 0 1 0
Hartsell, rf. 4 0 1 0
Pipp, 1b. 4 0 1 0
Bauman, 3b. 4 0 1 0
Miller, cf. 4 0 1 0
High, lf. 4 0 1 0
Boone, 2b. 4 0 1 0
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Alexander, c. 4 0 1 0
Brown, p. 4 0 1 0
Mogridge, p. 4 0 1 0
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Total. 29 8 17 1

Nationals. 29 8 17 1

Runs—Milan and Gandil. Base on balls—Pipp. Struck out by Johnson. Two-base hits—C. Milan, Miller, and Boone. Sacrifice hits—Gandil, Shanker, Double play—Foster to McGraw. Passed ball—Williams. Umpires—Hildebrand and O'Loughlin. Time of game, 1 hour and 45 minutes.

Tipperary Team Wins Junior League Honor

The Virginia Avenue Playground Junior League has completed a successful season, the Tipperary team holding the lead to the finish.

Many of the smaller boys have been given an opportunity to play baseball, and the interest has been keen in all the games.

Standing of the teams:

Team. W. L. P.C.
Tipperary 14 1 943
Young Eagles 8 7 509
Scraperies 8 7 553
Star Fish Giants 7 9 467
Young Meridians 3 12 200
Golden Eagles 2 13 124

For insulting the intelligence and respectability of some 15,000 fans by disgraceful actions on the field in Boston, almost breaking up the game by inciting other players to follow his example, Johnny Evers has been suspended for five days by President Tener and docked his pay for those days by President Gaffney, of the Boston club. Fitzpatrick, whoaped the actions of his captain, loses \$50, and "Butch" Schmidt, the mountainous first baseman, who wanted to engage in a fight with Umpire Byron, has been fined \$100. At last Tener has seen the need of official action, but what a difference between his action and what Ban Johnson would do under such circumstances.

The Boston Braves have started a new form of playing the game. They showed it first last year, displaying every manner of rowdiness in their splendid rush to the front. They got away with tricks that should have been stopped at the start simply because Jack Doyle and Hughey Jennings and Muggsy McGraw haven't been playing much recently. What these three estimable gentlemen did in their prime is no longer allowed. It wasn't in the National League until the Braves began showing it in 1914. They are repeating now.

Johnny Evers, valuable as he undoubtedly is to the Boston club, threatens to become a nuisance to his league. It may be all right with some to excuse his actions by remarking that they occur "in the heat of the game." For youngsters of no experience that excuse might go down without salt, but when it is urged for Evers, it is time to call a halt on both such excuses and on the game. It is hardly his fault if the continued prosperity of the national game when he stomped out rowdism by backing his umpires up to the limit. It is hardly his fault if the caliber of his officials has fallen off, but good or bad, they get his backing today and rowdism is absent at the heart of the game. No such excuse went for Ban Johnson. The league head was unquestionably right, too. What John K. Tener should do is use more Big Stick methods in running his league. If he doesn't, the rowdies will soon be running it for him.

Georgetown's football season promises to be exciting, even if few games are played at the Hilltop. Only two games look from this distance to be peering teams this fall. Georgetown's and St. Albans, Princeton, Navy, Army, Fordham, North Carolina and N. C. A. and M. certainly make the 1915 schedule most formidable. The class of St. Louis U. is not yet known, but the Mount City eleven are generally pretty fast. When the experts begin comparing teams this fall, Georgetown's performances should figure highly in relative standings of many eleven.

Unless all signs are wrong, the 1915-16 bowling season in the Capital will shatter all previous records. The success of those stars who went to Bouth last spring has created a tremendous amount of interest here and the result will be shown in added leagues and increasing enthusiasm. When Burton Maik, the bowling demon, comes down from New York in a month or two to prepare for the next tournament, he will find the whole city ready for him. The bowlers are going to own Washington this winter.

MERELY A MATTER OF STEALING HOME



Carrigan Clan Grab More Margin in Race

Trim Macks, While Bert Shotton Steals Home With Winning Run Over Jungaleers—Perritt's Fine Pitching Turns Back Those Phillies.

The Red Sox increased their lead over Jennings' Jungaleers yesterday by taking the Mackmen into camp, 10 to 2, while Bert Shotton engineered a triple steal that allowed the Brownies to nose out the Tigers, 3 to 2. Bill Carrigan is in earnest about winning that little old pennant.

Tommy Sheahan started for the Macks, lasting four frames. In came Ancker, a rookie resting in the far corner. He needed an anchor for five innings he allowed the Red Sox to get six hits and two passes. He had a wild pitch and hit two batters, but outside of all this, he had splendid control and "in certain to become a major league star." Shore was invincible, the Macks' talisman coming off Gregg in the ninth when Malone hit a homer with Schang on the slab.

The Tigers found the Brownies full of fight and in the eighth, with Daus losing control, the Ricker turned a trick that gave them the honors, 3 to 2. Daus filled the bases with his generosity. Shore, a rookie resting in the far corner. He needed an anchor for five innings he allowed the Red Sox to get six hits and two passes. He had a wild pitch and hit two batters, but outside of all this, he had splendid control and "in certain to become a major league star." Shore was invincible, the Macks' talisman coming off Gregg in the ninth when Malone hit a homer with Schang on the slab.

"Pol" Perritt came to life yesterday and shut out the Phillies, 2 to 0. Only Billy Evers made off his twirling. The Giants' two runs came over in the fourth on bunched bingles. Doyle singled, coming in when Morike doubled. At Doyle's collar, the Ricker, who had been sent to third, scoring on a sacrifice fly by Fletcher.

The White Sox broke even with the Indians, winning the first one, 3 to 2, and losing the second, 6 to 5. Umpire Evers has had trouble with him, and he has been suspended for five days because of his dispute with Umpire "Lord" Byron at Boston Thursday. First Base, man Schmidt was fined \$100 for his part in the affair, and a \$50 fine was imposed on Fitzpatrick. Evers started the trouble by protesting, in his usual manner, a strike that was called on Snodgrass, and was banished from the game.

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Duckpin Tournament Starts at the Royal

Some twenty entrants in the individual duckpin tournament will be the foul line at the Royal Aley's tonight. Each contestant meets the field three times. Tonight's pairings are:

Wackerly and Rider, Saers and Stanard, Tiley and George, Weston and Hatley, Leeman and Wright, Rodrick and Manham. These men will roll as many sets as possible tonight. The others will roll next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Please be on hand.

Big League Biffers Ofa Day

	AB	TB	Ave
Kav'nagh, Tigers	1	1	1.000
Lewis, Red Sox	5	4	.800
Zimmerman, Cubs	4	3	.750
Gandil, Griffis	3	2	.667
Schalk, White Sox	3	2	.667
Mollwitz, Reds	3	2	.667
Shanks, Griffis	3	2	.667
Viox, Pirates	3	2	.667
Rodgers, Reds	3	2	.667
Doyle, Giants	3	2	.667
E. Collins, W. S.	3	2	.667

era, 6 to 3. Robinson's legs got but five hits, the diminutive finger. Evers did not play, being suspended for five days following his fight with Umpire Byron.

The Cards won from the Reds, 3 to 1, because Evers' legs got but five hits, the diminutive finger. Evers did not play, being suspended for five days following his fight with Umpire Byron.

The Pirates decided their clash with the Cubs in the second, when they scored three runs, driving Humphreys from the slab. The final score was 4 to 1. Mamma never being in trouble.

EVERS SUSPENDED BY LEAGUE LEADER

Tener Acts, Following Official Report of Braves' Scrap in Boston.

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League Standing

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	P.	W. L.	P.
Boston	22	29	475	461	475
Detroit	21	31	463	464	464
Chicago	21	31	463	464	464
Washington	21	31	463	464	464
St. Louis	21	31	463	464	464
Cleveland	21	31	463	464	464
Athletics	21	31	463	464	464

Today's Games.

New York at Washington.
Detroit at St. Louis.
Boston at Philadelphia.
Cleveland at Chicago.

Tomorrow's Games.

Detroit at St. Louis.
Cleveland at Chicago.

Yesterday's Results.

Washington, 2; New York, 0.
Boston, 10; Athletics, 2.
St. Louis, 1; Detroit, 1.
Cleveland, 6; Chicago, 5.
Chicago, 5; Cleveland, 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	P.	W. L.	P.
Phillies	22	29	475	461	475
Brooklyn	21	31	463	464	464
Boston	21	31	463	464	464
Chicago	21	31	463	464	464
New York	21	31	463	464	464
Pittsburgh	21	31	463	464	464
Cincinnati	21	31	463	464	464

Today's Games.

Brooklyn at Boston.
St. Louis at Cincinnati.
Philadelphia at New York.
Chicago at Pittsburgh.

Tomorrow's Games.

Pittsburgh at Chicago.
St. Louis at Cincinnati.

Yesterday's Results.

New York, 2; Phillies, 0.
Boston, 6; Brooklyn, 3.
Pittsburgh, 1; St. Louis, 1.
St. Louis, 1; Cincinnati, 1.

FEDERAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	P.	W. L.	P.
Pittsburgh	22	29	475	461	475
Newark	21	31	463	464	464
St. Louis	21	31	463	464	464
Chicago	21	31	463	464	464
Buffalo	21	31	463	464	464
Baltimore	21	31	463	464	464

Today's Games.

St. Louis at Pittsburgh.
Chicago at Kansas City.
Newark at Buffalo.
Baltimore at Brooklyn.

Tomorrow's Games.

Baltimore at Newark.
Chicago at Kansas City.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

Yesterday's Results.

Brooklyn, 1; Baltimore, 0.
Buffalo, 5; Newark, 1.
Kansas City, 5; Chicago, 6.
Pittsburgh, 5; St. Louis, 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Battling Averages.

ers, Bos.	54	174	23	49	4	9
Wilson, St.L.	91	300	28	84	5	16
onzales, St.L	30	50	9	14	0	3
lyler, Bos.	38	75	10	21	0	3
cravath, Phil.	119	410	74	115	10	6
Magee, Bos.	122	438	66	122	13	22
illiflier, Cin.	125	436	56	120	8	18
Burns, N.Y.	120	472	59	130	15	5
lerzog, Cin.	124	465	61	138	25	12
griner, St.L.	37	51	3	14	0	2